St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Head Teacher's Newsletter

Friday 23rd June 2023





Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been very busy this week with our Year 5/6 residential, class trips and visitors. Not to mention our careers fayre – more to follow next week.

Beech residential

Beech class had a fantastic time at their residential this week. Hopefully your children returned home with many stories and everlasting memories from their trip. The staff at Magdalen Farm were very impressed with all of the children and commented on their enthusiasm, respectful manners and wonderful team work skills! Well done Beech class. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Jukes, Mrs O'Mahony and Mrs Gates for giving up their own family time. Thank you! They also had a wonderful time and were impressed with the children.

Proposed Teacher Strike - 5th & 7th July

Again, confirmation has been received from the NEU that they have voted for strike action on 5th & 7th July. We are working on how this proposed action will affect our school and the impact on children and parents whilst recognising the rights of individuals to take industrial action following National guidance and Employment law. We are waiting for more information before we can make an informed decision as to the likelihood of any potential partial or full closure. I will provide you with a further update as soon as I am able.

Our Amazing Choir

Photos below from last Wednesday when our school choir performed at the new theatre at the community college.



This week's highest Attendance

A big 'well done' to **Beech** highest attendance this week!

Designated Safeguarding Lead - Mrs Stephens Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead -Mrs Keeping

EYFS Assembly for parents

FSU had a fun time sharing their learning with parents. They were very confident singing and showing their parents an insight into what the day to day life is like for them in FSU. We were very proud of them. Thank you to all parents who attended. Special thanks to Mrs Keeping and her team for all their hard work.

Year 1 have a show and learning assembly on Wednesday 28th June @ 3pm. All parents of year 1 are welcome to join us.

Year Four Multiplication Tables Check

Maple class have been undertaking their Multiplication Tables Check this week. At St Joseph's, we have a systematic approach to the teaching of times tables, and it was clear to see the impact of that in how the children applied their knowledge and understanding. Well done Year Four - you are amazing!

Gospel Value - Compassion and Thankfulness

This week we have been exploring Compassion and Thankfulness. We built on our thinking from last week and we have been picking out where we can see compassion in school, in the community and around the world. Thankfulness is one of the virtues that we develop in Year 3. We have been reflecting on being thankful for the education that we have and using this to be the best that we can be.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend

Mrs Stephens

Diary dates:

28th June - Year 1 at 3pm

30th June – Year 4 Trip to Lyme Regis

5th & 7th – Possible strike days

11th July - Sports Day

18th July – Reserve Sports Day

21st July - Last day of summer term

Headteacher Awards: Sycamore class - Lincoln

Gold Awards: Rowan class - Anna, Arnie, Bella, Emily, Remy, Ruben.

Silver Awards: Cherry class – Eden, Rory; Maple class - Jonah

Bronze Awards: Cherry class – Jensen, Jude.

Stars of the week: Oak class- Leo; Rowan class - Rudy; Sycamore class - Theo P; Cherry class - Douglas; Maple class - Barney; Beech class - Individual

Certificates given out for the achievements they made on their residential trip.